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Official meetings

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Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . Consultations of the whole (closed) . . . . . Consultations Room GA-TSC-02

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian Question

Other matters

Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Thursday, 19 January 2012, in the Security Council Chamber Room GA-TSC-01, in connection with the agenda item "The promotion and strengthening of the rule of law in the maintenance of international peace and security".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should fax their signed letter of request to the Secretariat (fax 1 (212) 963-4213). Alternatively, they should e-mail a scanned copy of the letter to dpa-scsb3@un.org; or deliver the original to 730 Third Avenue (room TB-08083), from 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

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Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

3–4 p.m.	1st meeting	Conference Room 6 (NLB)
	Election of the officers of the Executive Board of UNICEF for 2012	
4–6 p.m.	Informal consultations	Conference Room 6 (NLB)
	Informal consultations on the thematic discussion on focus area 3 (HIV/AIDS and children)	

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/66/251.

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Other meetings

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Wednesday, 18 January 2012

Group of 77 (on the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1 (NLB)
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1 (NLB)

Other activities

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Wednesday, 18 January 2012

International expert group meeting on the theme "Combating violence against indigenous women and girls: Article 22 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples" (organized by the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division of Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

[The meeting is open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Talei Cama, Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (e-mail cama@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1295 or 1 (917) 367-5100; fax 1 (917) 367-5102).]

Women's International Forum: Meeting on "Medusa: The making of a feminine icon" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

From 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. Please *click here* for further information.]

Launch of the *2011 Global Go-To Think Tanks Index* (organized by the United Nations University (UNU))

From 3.15 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. To register and for further information, please visit <http://unu2012rankings.eventbrite.com/>; or contact Mr. Faisal Abulhassan, UNU (e-mail abulhassan@unu.edu; tel. 1 (212) 963-6387).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Wednesday, 18 January 2012

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Programme of work

Since the issuance of the revised programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly (A/INF/66/3/Rev.1), the following changes have been made:

Agenda items 12 (Global road safety crisis), 34 (Prevention of armed conflict) and its sub-item (a) (Strengthening the role of mediation in the peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution), 35 (Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development) and 39 (The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan), originally scheduled for Monday, 12 December 2011, will be considered at a later date in the resumed part, to be announced.

The specific meeting focused on development, to be held under agenda item 117 (Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit), pursuant to resolution 60/265, has been postponed from Friday, 18 November 2011, to a date in the resumed part, to be announced.

Additional scheduling of items or changes in the programme of work will be announced in the *Journal* and on the Web site of the General Assembly <www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/66schedule.shtml>, and will be reflected in revised versions of the note by the President of the General Assembly.

General Assembly

Disarmament Commission

Organizational session for 2012

The Disarmament Commission will hold its organizational session on Thursday, 19 January 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional agenda for the organizational session is contained in document A/CN.10/L.68. The provisional agenda for the substantive session was issued in document A/CN.10/L.67. All Member States are invited to attend.

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Informal briefings

The Department of Field Support and the Department of Peacekeeping Operations will provide informal briefings, to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, as follows:

Friday, 20 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB): on police; and criminal justice and corrections;

Monday, 23 January 2012, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB): on disarmament, demobilization and reintegration; and security sector reform;

Thursday, 26 January 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB): on sexual and gender-based violence in conflict; and

Friday, 27 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB): on protection of civilians; and restructuring.

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development

Pursuant to the letter from the Co-Chairs of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (Rio+20), H.E. Mr. John Ashe, Permanent Representative of Antigua and Barbuda, and H.E. Mr. Kim Sook, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Korea, to all permanent representatives to the United Nations, transmitting the Co-Chairs' proposal for a zero draft of the outcome document of the Conference, an initial round of consultations on the zero draft of the outcome document will be held from Wednesday, 25, to Friday, 27 January 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB) will serve as an overflow room. The zero draft of the outcome document and the schedule of subsequent consultations are available on the Rio+20 Web site <www.uncsd2012.org/rio20/>. As indicated in the letter from the Co-Chairs, delegations are requested to send their written proposals on sections I and II of the zero draft of the outcome document to the Rio+20 secretariat (e-mail tahtinen@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-4260), by *Monday, 23 January 2012*. Delegations are also advised that a password-protected Rio+20 e-discussion forum has been created to enable an exchange on the zero draft of the outcome document of the Conference. Delegations wishing to subscribe to the e-discussion forum are requested to contact the UNCSD secretariat (e-mail uncsd2012@un.org).

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board
First regular session 2012

The first regular session 2012 of the Executive Board of UN-Women will be held from Tuesday, 24, to Wednesday, 25 January 2012, in Conference Room 2 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document UNW/2012/L.1/Rev.1.

Documentation for the session is available on the Web site of the UN-Women <www.unwomen.org/about-us/governance/executive-board/>.

Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), and requests to be inscribed on the list of speakers, to the secretariat of the Executive Board (rocio.torres@unwomen.org), as early as possible, but no later than *Friday, 20 January 2012*.

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, WFP and UN-Women will take place on Monday, 30, and Tuesday, 31 January 2012, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Economic and Social Council

Commission for Social Development

Informal briefing

The Chair of the fiftieth session of the Commission for Social Development, H.E. Mr. Jorge Valero (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela), will hold an informal briefing, for all interested delegations, on the programme of work of the fiftieth session of the Commission, on Thursday, 19 January 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Fiftieth session

The fiftieth session of the Commission for Social Development will be held from Wednesday, 1, to Friday, 10 February 2012. The opening meeting will take place on Wednesday, 1 February, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda and the proposed organization of work are contained in document E/CN.5/2012/1. Further information on the fiftieth and previous sessions of the Commission is available at the following address: <http://social.un.org/index/CommissionforSocialDevelopment/Sessions/2012.aspx>.

Participation and seating arrangements

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Radhika Padayachi, of the composition of their delegations (e-mail padayachi39@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers (including Member States that are not members of the Commission) in Conference Room 4 (NLB), only observers who will communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat, by *Friday, 27 January 2012*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 4 (NLB). All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

General discussion and list of speakers

General discussion under agenda item 3 (a) (Priority theme: poverty eradication) will begin on Wednesday, 1 February 2012, following the opening of the session. For further details, please consult the programme of work in Annex I to document E/CN.5/2012/1.

The list of speakers is open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list should inform Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that according to past practice, statements made by individual Member States should not exceed *seven minutes*, statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*, and statements made by observers should not exceed *five minutes*. Delegates are requested to bring 250 copies of statements for general distribution or at least 30 copies for distribution to conference services.

Participation of non-governmental organizations

Comprehensive information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission can be found at the following address: <http://social.un.org/index/CivilSociety/NGOParticipation/CSocD50Session.aspx>.

List of side events

To consult the list of side events on the occasion of the fiftieth session of the Commission, please *click here*.

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2012 regular session

The 2012 regular session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will be held from Monday, 30 January, to Wednesday, 8 February 2012, in Conference Room 1 (NLB). The annotated provisional agenda will be issued as document E/C.2/2012/1.

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note-verbale to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Sergei Cherniavsky (e-mail leong@un.org; room IN-606A; and ais@un.org; room IN-609). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Background information on the Committee, its procedures, forms and documentation, are available on the Web site of the NGO Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs <www.un.org/ecosoc/ngo/>. Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
First regular session 2012

The 2012 first regular session of the Executive Board of UNICEF will take place from Tuesday, 7, to Friday, 10 February 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2012/1. The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, WFP and UN-Women will take place on Monday, 30, and Tuesday, 31 January 2012, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

The 2012 first regular session will be preceded by an informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the Executive Board on Friday, 27 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

Advance documentation for the session is available on the following Web site: <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_59924.html>. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to send their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (e-mail jpiccolominigeary@unicef.org; fax 1 (212) 326-7096), as early as possible, but no later than *Friday, 20 January 2012*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
First regular session 2012

The first regular session 2012 of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will be held from Wednesday, 1, to Friday, 3 February 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2012/L.1.

Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (marcela.romero@undp.org), as early as possible, but no later than *Monday, 23 January 2012*.

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, WFP and UN-Women will take place on Monday, 30, and Tuesday, 31 January 2012, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Working Group of the General Assembly on the Reform of the Human Rights Treaty Bodies" (under agenda item 124) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)

Thursday, 19 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D (NLB).

Informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Civilian capacity in the aftermath of conflict" (under agenda item 123 (a)) (convened by the Permanent Missions of Canada and Indonesia)

Thursday, 19 January 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Report of the International Criminal Court" (under agenda item 75) (with the States parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Japan)

Tuesday, 24 January 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB); and

Thursday, 26 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

Friday, 20 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)

Monday, 23 January 2012, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Workshop on "The trade dimension of Rio+20: Unpacking the issues" (co-organized by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the Economic Commission for Latin American and the Caribbean (ECLAC))

Thursday, 19 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[The meeting is open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. For registration and further information, please visit <www.unctad.org/greeneconomy>; or contact UNCTAD (e-mail trade.environment@unctad.org).]

DPI/NGO briefing on "Culture of peace: Amplifying the unseen and unheard voices of peace"

Thursday, 19 January 2012, from 10.15 a.m. to 12.15 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Gail Bindley-Taylor (e-mail sainte@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).]

Launch of the Web site of the Oral History Collection <www.unmultimedia.org/oralhistory/> (organized by the Dag Hammarskjöld Library)

Thursday, 19 January 2012, from 3.30 to 4.30 p.m., in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Reading Room (L-105).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Dag Hammarskjöld Library (Ms. Jackilyn Punsal (e-mail punsal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7428); or Ms. Nicoleta Voinea (e-mail voinean@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4708)).]

Panel discussion on "How NGOs can use social media to create impact and eradicate poverty" (organized by the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Friday, 20 January 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Amine Lamrabat, DESA (e-mail lambarat@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9456).]

Panel discussion on "The 1540 Committee: A look at the Committee's new mandate and efforts to prevent the proliferation of WMD's to non-State actors" (organized by the United Nations University (UNU))

Friday, 20 January 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. To register and for further information, please visit <http://unu1540report.ventbrite.com/>; or contact Mr. Faisal Abulhassan, UNU (e-mail abulhassan@unu.edu; tel. 1 (212) 963-6387).]

Briefing on "Follow-up to the High-level Meeting on Youth" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Benin)

Friday, 20 January 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Benin (e-mail beninewyork@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 684-1339, ext. 321).]

Briefing on the preparations for the 2012 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council and the forthcoming philanthropy event of the Council on the theme "Breaking new ground: Partnerships for more and better jobs for young people" (organized by the Office of Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Monday, 23 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[The briefing is open to all representatives of interested non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council. For further information, please contact the NGO Branch, DESA (Ms. Maria Carreño (e-mail carreno@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2290)).]

Special event on the occasion of the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust (27 January) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine)

Commemorative conference to mark the seventieth anniversary of the Babyn Yar tragedy in Ukraine

Wednesday, 25 January 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Ukraine (e-mail uno_us@mfa.gov.ua; tel. 1 (212) 759-7003).]

Briefing on "An independent partnership for the monitoring of the outcome of the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries" (organized by the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (OHRLLS), in cooperation with LDC IV Monitor)

Thursday, 26 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12 a.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[The briefing is open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. For further information, please contact Ms. Susanna Wolf, OHRLLS (e-mail wolf1@un.org).]

Panel discussion on "Sharing lessons and best practices on sustainability initiatives" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Chile and the United Kingdom, and Greening the Blue)

Thursday, 26 January 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[The meeting is open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions and accredited non-governmental organizations. For more information, please contact Mr. Sergio Toro, Permanent Mission of Chile (e-mail storo@minrel.gov.cl); or Ms. Julie MacKenzie, Department of Management (e-mail mackenzie1@un.org).]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, in English, on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Introduction to United Nations documentation (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 24 January 2012; and

Thursday, 2 February 2012.

Official Document System (ODS) (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Monday, 30 January 2012; and

Tuesday, 7 February 2012.

Foreign law research (from 3 to 5 p.m.)

Thursday, 2 February 2012.

Security Council documentation (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 9 February 2012;

Thursday, 23 February 2012; and

Wednesday, 22 February 2012 (*in Spanish*).

Introduction to the Map Collection (from 3 to 4.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 21 February 2012; and.

Thursday, 23 February 2012.

New resources for the United Nations community (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Tuesday, 28 February 2012.

United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, 2012

Applications for the 2012 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from Monday, 9 July, to Friday, 17 August 2012, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 10 February 2012*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in French this year. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme Web site <www.un.org/law/ilfp>; or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

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All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcomed. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 17 January 2012

General Assembly

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Meeting of States Parties
Thirtieth Meeting

36th meeting

Opening of the meeting by the Representative of the Secretary-General . . . . . [1]

The Meeting was opened by Mr. Charles Radcliffe, Senior Human Rights Officer at the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, representing the Secretary-General, who made a statement.

Election of the Chair . . . . . [2]

The Permanent Representative of Ghana made a statement.

H.E. Dr. Abdulkalam Abdul Momen (Bangladesh) was elected as Chair of the Meeting, by acclamation.

Adoption of the agenda . . . . . [3]

The Meeting adopted the provisional agenda, as contained in document CCPR/SP/76/Rev.1.

Election of other officers of the Meeting . . . . . [4]

Mr. Manuel Korcek (Slovakia) and H.E. Mr. Haim Waxman (Israel) were elected as Vice-Chairs of the Meeting.

Election, in accordance with articles 28–32 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, of one member of the Human Rights Committee to replace Ms. Helen Keller who resigned on 30 September 2011 and whose mandate is due to expire on 31 December 2014 . . . . . [5]

Mr. Walter Kalin (Switzerland) was elected in the first round of voting as a member of the Human Rights Committee until 31 December 2014.

Election, in accordance with articles 28–32 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, of one member of the Human Rights Committee to replace Mr. Majoub El-Haiba who resigned on 30 September 2011 and whose mandate is due to expire on 31 December 2012 . . . . . [6]

Mr. Marat Sarsembayev (Kazakhstan) was elected in the second round of voting as a member of the Human Rights Committee until 31 December 2012.

The Permanent Representative of Kazakhstan made a statement.

Other matters . . . . . [7]

No statements were made under this item.

The Thirtieth Meeting of the States Parties was then declared closed.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Grains Trade Convention, 1995. London, 7 December 1994

Accession: Saudi Arabia (16 January 2012)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *January 2012* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Benin
H.E. Mr. Jean-Francis Régis Zinsou

Asia-Pacific States:
Malaysia
H.E. Mr. Hussein Haniff

Eastern European States:
Slovenia
H.E. Ms. Sanja Štiglic

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Ecuador
H.E. Mr. Diego Morejón
Chargé d'affaires

Western European and other States:
Portugal
H.E. Mr. José Filipe Moraes Cabral

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Presidency of the Security Council
<www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>

Security Council
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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
<www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)
<www.un.org/sc/1540/>

Department of Economic and Social Affairs
<www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html>

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